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Jack Dodd Presentation Notes, c. June 8, 1965

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Pleasure to be here - tell about
my Mother

Mrs. John Bruce Dodd and
Father's Day - the 3rd Sunday in
June. (20th)

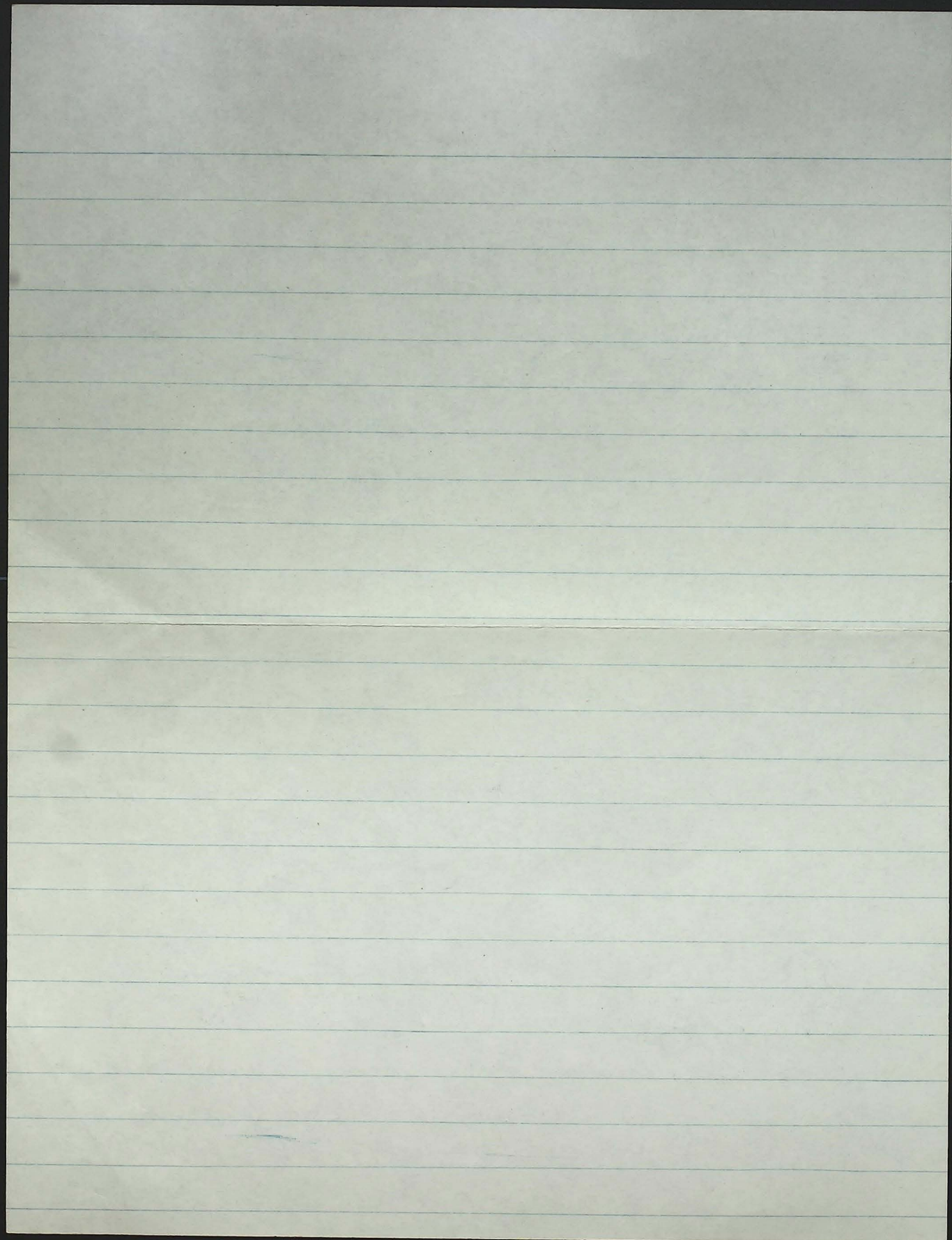
My Mother - Sonora Louise Smart
Born - Jenny Lind, Arkansas
Feb 18, 1882

Daughter of William Jackson Smart
and Ellen Victoria Cheek
Had 5 younger brothers.

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1889 - Came West to Big Bend County
Her Mother died late 1890's leaving
her father with 2 teen ages & 4 young children
He was the both Mother & Father to the
children

Shortly after her Mother death attended
Church Service in which glory of Motherhood
was emphasized. She thought why not
honor Father also. This kept coming to
her mind and early in 1910 she took
the idea to her minister Dr. Conrad Blume



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He liked the idea and counseled her.

The Y.M.C.A. gave formal endorsement in 1910

Then the Mayor H.S. Pratt and Governor of the State M.E. Hay approved the idea.

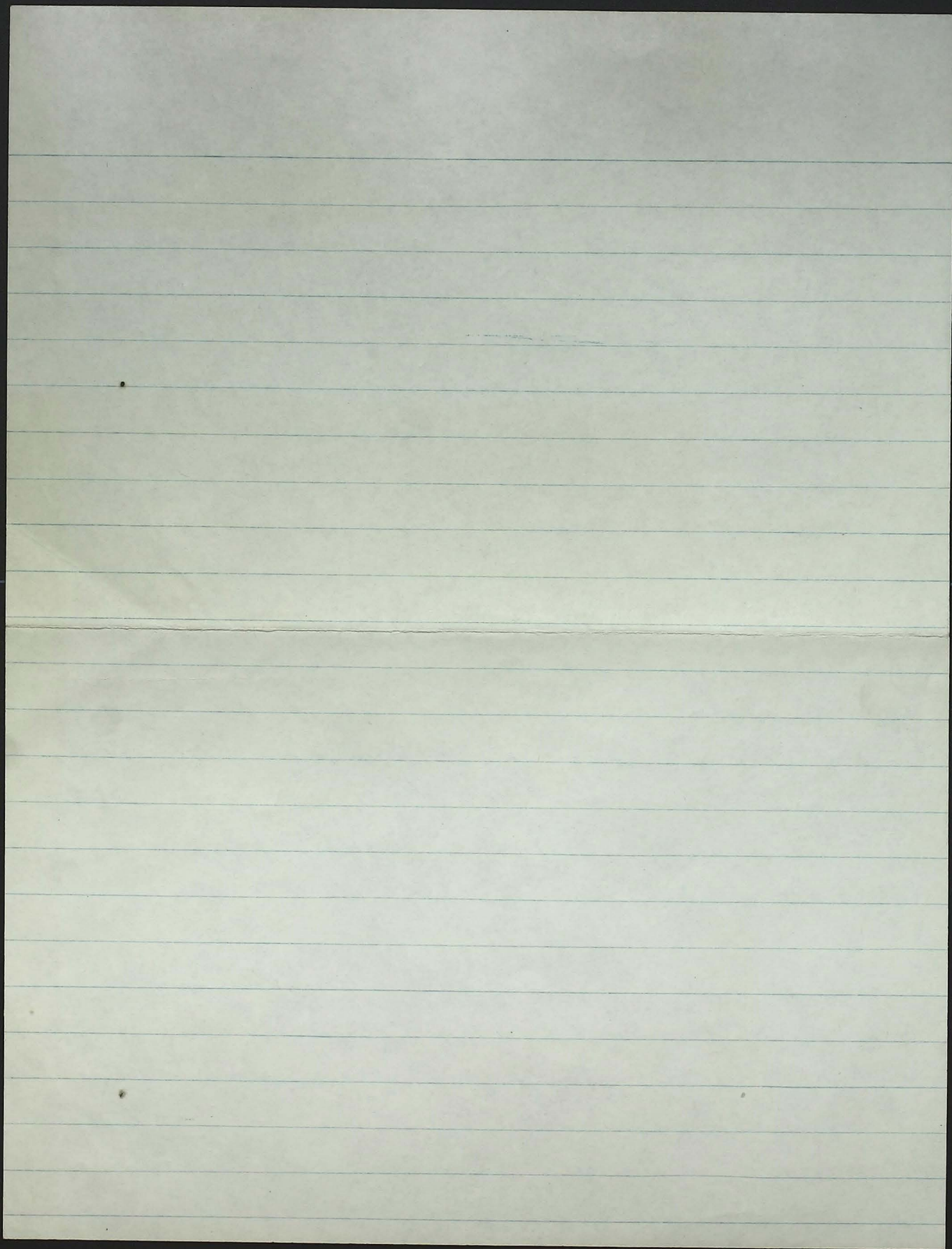
This was followed by the Spokane Minister's Alliance accepted and adopted the plan and on the 3rd Sunday of June most churches in Spokane observed the day.

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Here is the petition adopted at that time, and first published in the Spokane Chronicle ~~in 1910~~, June 6, 1910

Read

She has planned to use June 6 her father's birthday but time did not permit the preparation of Father Day Lessons.



⑦ A woman's fashion designer in Hollywood in the late 20's and early 30's.

Taught art briefly in Harlem Public schools
Manufacturer Indian doll & novelties.

Ad writer for newspapers.

Feature writer for newspaper & other periodicals.

Poetry Has written a great deal of poetry, and one of the founders of Poetry Day in State of Wash. She originated the idea of a Blue Poet each year for the Blue Festival and was so named in 1954.

⑧ In 1939 she received the "Friend of Deed" medal from the Columbia Broadcasting System in appreciation for her efforts in behalf of fatherhood.

She has also been recipient of the U.S. Treasury citation in 1943.

About the painting — 1907.

Closer home — sought place for it.
I thought it would be most appropriate in the Natural Lion Hept.

